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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk / Executive Director Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Proposed Electric Transportation Pilot and An Accounting Order to Defer Capital and Operating Expenses; Docket No. 2018-321-E

Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Approval of Proposed Electric Transportation Pilot and An Accounting Order to Defer Capital and Operating Expenses; Docket No. 2018-322-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Since the Electric Transportation ("ET") Pilots were filed on October 10, 2018 by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC") and Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP") (together, the "Companies"), the Companies have participated in a multi-session stakeholder engagement process, the Commission has received comments from interested parties, and the Companies have held an exparte briefing providing more information on the ET Pilots and making staff available for questions from the Commission. More recently, DEC filed a proposed modification to a component of its ET Pilot, after which the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") propounded discovery and filed a letter with the Commission indicating that the program modification did not affect ORS's previously articulated positions.

Dozens of letters of support have been docketed in these proceedings, and the Companies continue to believe that the ET Pilots will benefit customers across the state of South Carolina. The ET Pilots are now ripe for Commission action, and the Companies would respectfully request Commission action at the next opportunity.

Kind regards,

Sam Wellborn

cc: Parties of Record (via email)

Heather Shirley Smith, Deputy General Counsel (via email)